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(520) FIRST LEAD KENNEDY ROUNDUP

BY MARVIN L. ARROWSMITH AND STANLEY MEISLER 3024  
WASHINGTON, MARCH 8 (AP)—PLEADING THAT RELIGIOUS AND DESEGREGATION INTERESTS NOT KILL HIS EDUCATION BILL, PRESIDENT KENNEDY SAID TODAY FEDERAL LOANS TO PRIVATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS -- JUST LIKE GRANTS -- ARE UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE PRESIDENT TOLD HIS NEWS CONFERENCE THAT THE QUESTION OF LOANS -- UNLIKE THE QUESTION OF GRANTS -- IS OPEN TO DEBATE.

"IF CONGRESS AND CONGRESSMEN WISH TO ADDRESS THEMSELVES TO THE PROBLEM OF LOANS," HE SAID, "...I AM HOPEFUL THAT IT WILL BE CONSIDERED AS A SEPARATE MATTER..."

ASKED WHETHER HE WOULD VETO SUCH A SEPARATE BILL, KENNEDY REPLIED: "I THINK IT IS ALWAYS A MISTAKE BEFORE WE EVEN HAVE LEGISLATION TO TALK ABOUT WHAT I AM GOING TO DO, BUT I THINK IT IS VERY CLEAR ABOUT WHAT MY VIEW IS OF GRANTS AND LOANS ACROSS THE BOARD TO NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS."

KENNEDY'S \$2.3 BILLION BILL, UNDER CONSIDERATION BY CONGRESS, WOULD PROVIDE FEDERAL GRANTS TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS, SCHOLARSHIPS TO COLLEGE STUDENTS, AND LOANS TO COLLEGES.

SPOKESMEN FOR THE COUNTRY'S ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS HAVE ANNOUNCED OPPOSITION TO THE BILL UNLESS IT IS REVISED TO INCLUDE A PROGRAM OF LOW-INTEREST LOANS TO PRIVATE AND PAROCHIAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

THE PRESIDENT SPENT MUCH OF HIS 30-MINUTE CONFERENCE WITH 350 NEWS-MEN DISCUSSING THE QUESTION OF GRANTS AND LOANS TO PRIVATE SCHOOLS. AT SEVERAL POINTS, HOWEVER, HE TURNED TO FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND COMMENTED ON U.S. RELATIONS WITH COMMUNIST COUNTRIES.

HE DISCUSSED COMMUNIST CHINA'S BELLIGERENT ATTITUDE TOWARD THE UNITED STATES AND ITS REFUSAL YESTERDAY TO ACCEPT AN OFFER BY THIS COUNTRY TO EXCHANGE FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS.

"THEY HAVE BEEN UNFAILING IN THEIR ATTACKS UPON THE UNITED STATES..." THE PRESIDENT SAID. "I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A LESSENING OF THAT TENSION. THAT IS OUR HOPE FROM THE BEGINNING."

"BUT WE ARE NOT PREPARED TO SURRENDER IN ORDER TO GET A RELAXATION OF THAT."

AGAIN AND AGAIN, IN REPLY TO QUESTIONS, THE PRESIDENT RETURNED TO THE PROBLEM OF EDUCATION AID.

A NEWSMAN RECALLED KENNEDY'S STATEMENT LAST WEEK THAT "THERE IS NO DEBATE" ABOUT THE UNCONSTITUTIONALITY OF AID TO PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS.

"NO ROOM FOR DEBATE ABOUT GRANTS," KENNEDY SAID, CLARIFYING HIS PREVIOUS STATEMENT. "THERE IS OBVIOUSLY ROOM FOR DEBATE ABOUT LOANS, BECAUSE IT HAS BEEN DEBATED."

"BUT..." HE ADDED, "MY JUDGMENT HAS BEEN THAT ACROSS THE BOARD LOANS ARE ALSO UNCONSTITUTIONAL."

ASKED ABOUT THE CHANCES OF HIS BILL, IN VIEW OF THE FIGHT OVER PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS AND THE POSSIBILITY OF A FIGHT IF AN ATTEMPT IS MADE TO HALT AID TO SEGREGATED SCHOOLS, KENNEDY REPLIED:

"OBVIOUSLY IT IS GOING TO BE A DIFFICULT MATTER TO SECURE THE PASSAGE OF LEGISLATION THIS YEAR."

NOTING THAT A RELIGIOUS AND DESEGREGATION ARGUMENTS HAD KILLED FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION BILLS IN THE PAST, HE MADE A PLEA THAT THE SITUATION CHANGE THIS YEAR.

"...I DO NOT THINK THAT THERE IS ANYTHING MORE IMPORTANT THAN TO HAVE GOOD SCHOOLS, WELL-TRAINED COMPETENT TEACHERS," HE SAID.

"I AM THEREFORE HOPEFUL THAT HOWEVER STRONG THE FEELINGS MAY RUN, AND I AM VERY CONSCIOUS OF THEM...I AM HOPEFUL THAT THAT (BILL) WILL BE PASSED THIS YEAR."

KENNEDY CONTINUALLY STRESSED THAT IF CONGRESS WANTS TO TAKE UP THE MATTER OF LOANS TO PRIVATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS IT SHOULD DO SO IN A SEPARATE BILL. HE SAID HE DOES NOT WANT IT ATTACHED TO THE

ADMINISTRATION BILL.

THIS WAS KENNEDY'S SIXTH NEWS CONFERENCE.

AMONG OTHER MATTERS, KENNEDY TOUCHED ON:

MISSILE GAP--KENNEDY SAID HE LOOKS FOR COMPLETION IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS OF A DEFENSE DEPARTMENT STUDY WHICH WILL INDICATE WHETHER RUSSIA HAS A MISSILE ADVANTAGE OVER THE UNITED STATES. A REPORTER REMINDED THE PRESIDENT THAT HE SAID SOME TIME AGO THAT HE EXPECTED TO HAVE AN ANSWER FROM THE PENTAGON BY THIS TIME.

PREDICTING COMPLETION OF THE STUDY SHORTLY, KENNEDY ADDED:

"AT THAT TIME WE WILL INDICATE WHAT I BELIEVE TO BE THE RELATIVE DEFENSIVE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES AND OTHER COUNTRIES, AND WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE TO IMPROVE IT."

ECONOMY--AS A RESULT OF A REVIEW OF PURCHASING AND CONSTRUCTION PLANS IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, \$660 MILLION MORE WILL BE SPENT BEFORE JUNE 30 THAN HAD BEEN PLANNED ORIGINALLY. THE SPEEDUP IS AN EFFORT TO SPURT THE LAGGING ECONOMY.

"IF THIS ACCELERATION PROCEEDS AS PLANNED BY THE AGENCIES"

KENNEDY SAID, "DIRECT FEDERAL PURCHASES OF GOODS AND SERVICES WILL BE INCREASED IN THE JANUARY-MARCH QUARTER BY AN ANNUAL RATE OF ABOUT ONE QUARTER OF A BILLION DOLLARS, AND IN THE APRIL-JUNE QUARTER BY AN ANNUAL RATE OF ABOUT THREE QUARTERS OF A BILLION DOLLARS."

FOOD--UNDER A PROGRAM AIMED AT RELIEVING UNEMPLOYMENT HARDSHIP, THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE RECEIVING SURPLUS FOOD HAS DOUBLED--FROM 3.5 MILLION IN DECEMBER TO 6.1 MILLION AT THIS TIME--KENNEDY REPORTED.

HE ADDED THAT THE VALUE OF SUCH FOOD BEING DISTRIBUTED MONTHLY ALSO HAS DOUBLED. HE ESTIMATED THE WORTH OF ALLOTMENTS AT \$12.80 A MONTH BEFORE THE EXPANDED PROGRAM WENT INTO EFFECT, AND AT \$24.40 IN CURRENT RETAIL VALUE.

CUBAN RELIEF--AT THE OUTSET OF THE CONFERENCE, THE PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED THAT THE CUBAN RED CROSS, THE AMERICAN RED CROSS AND THE U.S. NAVY TODAY BEGAN COMBINED EFFORTS TO COMBAT A POLIO OUTBREAK IN GUANTANAMO CITY, CUBA, ABOUT 31 MILES FROM THE AMERICAN NAVAL BASE IN THAT AREA.

NEEDED VACCINE TO DEAL WITH THE OUTBREAK WAS ACQUIRED FROM U.S. SUPPLIES.

KENNEDY SAID THIS INCIDENT EMPHASIZES THAT U.S. DIFFERENCES ARE WITH THE CUBAN REGIME AND NOT WITH THE CUBAN PEOPLE.

"WE DESIRE THE CLOSEST, HARMONIOUS AND FRIENDLY SYMPATHETIC TIES WITH THEM," HE SAID.

KENNEDY DISCLOSED HE WILL MAKE A MAJOR POLICY STATEMENT REGARDING LATIN AMERICA AT THE WHITE HOUSE MONDAY. THE OCCASION WILL BE A RECEPTION FOR LATIN AMERICAN AMBASSADORS, THE COUNCIL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES, AND FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS CONCERNED WITH LATIN AMERICAN AFFAIRS.

NEWS CONFERENCES--A REPORTER ASKED WHETHER KENNEDY AGREES MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO, AS THE NEWSMAN PUT IT, BELIEVE THAT KENNEDY IS BEING SUBJECTED TO SOME ABUSE AND LACK OF RESPECT AT HIS SESSIONS WITH REPORTERS.

THE PRESIDENT TOUCHED OFF LAUGHTER BY REPLYING:

"WELL, YOU SUBJECT ME TO SOME ABUSE BUT NOT TO ANY LACK OF RESPECT."

HE ADDED HE REALIZES THE FORMAT OF THE NEWS CONFERENCE DOES RAISE SOME DIFFICULTIES. BUT HE NOTED THERE IS AN OLD SAYING ABOUT "DON'T TAKE DOWN THE FENCE UNTIL YOU KNOW WHY IT WAS PUT UP" AND THEN DECLARED:

"I WOULD SAY WE SHOULD STAY WITH WHAT WE HAVE NOW."

LAOS--KENNEDY SAID HE STILL IS HOPEFUL THAT THERE CAN BE AN EASING OF TENSION IN LAOS--AN EASING WHICH WILL LEAD EVENTUALLY TO A STABLE



AND INDEPENDENT GOVERNMENT THERE.

HE CALLED THESE VERY DIFFICULT GOALS TO ACHIEVE, "BUT WE ARE GOING TO CONTINUE AND WE ARE NOW CONTINUING TO TAKE EVERY STEP THAT WE CAN TO ACHIEVE THAT GOAL."

PROGRAMS--ADMINISTRATION PROGRAMS WHICH HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO CONGRESS IN SUCH FIELDS AS UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF, EDUCATION AID, AND MEDICAL CARE ALL REPRESENT ATTEMPTS "TO PROVIDE FOR A VIABLE ECONOMY, WHICH I THINK IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE SECURITY OF THE UNITED STATES, AND FOR THE SECURITY OF THOSE COUNTRIES WHICH ARE DEPENDENT UPON IT," KENNEDY SAID.

ANOTHER PURPOSE, HE ADDED, IS TO PROVIDE EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY TO THE EXTENT THAT WE CAN FOR ALL AMERICANS.

MERIWETHER--KENNEDY MET WITH NEWSMEN SHORTLY AFTER THE SENATE HAD CONFIRMED HIS NOMINATION OF CHARLES MERIWETHER TO BE A DIRECTOR OF THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK.

ASKED FOR COMMENT, KENNEDY REPEATED THAT HE HAD NOMINATED MERIWETHER AFTER STUDYING THE RECORD ON HIM.

"I AM CONFIDENT THAT HE WILL DO A GOOD JOB," KENNEDY SAID.

SEGREGATION-RELIGION--KENNEDY WAS ASKED WHAT IMPACT HE EXPECTS THE ISSUES OF SEGREGATION AND RELIGION TO HAVE ON THE ADMINISTRATION BILL TO PROVIDE AID FOR SCHOOLS.

HE REPLIED THAT THESE TWO FACTORS HAVE STYMIED SUCH LEGISLATION IN THE PAST. THEN HE ADDED:

"OBVIOUSLY IT IS GOING TO BE A DIFFICULT MATTER TO SECURE THE PASSAGE OF LEGISLATION THIS YEAR. BUT I DO NOT THINK THAT THERE IS ANYTHING MORE IMPORTANT TO HAVE GOOD SCHOOLS, WELL TRAINED, COMPETENT TEACHERS. . . .

"I THINK EVERYONE SHOULD HAVE A MAXIMUM CHANCE TO DEVELOP HIS TALENTS. I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THAT CAN BE DONE EFFECTIVELY WITHOUT PASSAGE OF THIS BILL THIS YEAR."

KHRUSHCHEV--KENNEDY DECLINED TO DISCLOSE THE SPECIFIC CONTENTS OF HIS MESSAGE TO SOVIET PREMIER NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV--A MESSAGE U.S. AMBASSADOR LLEWELLYN THOMPSON WAS SCHEDULED TO DELIVER TO THE KREMLIN LEADER TODAY AFTER LONG DELAY.

THE PRESIDENT SAID, HOWEVER, THAT THE GENERAL PURPOSE OF HIS MESSAGE WAS SET FORTH "SOME OF MY VIEWS ON THE QUESTIONS WHICH ARE AT ISSUE NOW AROUND THE GLOBE AND ALSO TO INDICATE MY STRONG CONFIDENCE IN AMBASSADOR THOMPSON TO SPEAK FOR ME AND FOR OUR COUNTRY AT THIS TIME IN ANY DISCUSSIONS HE MIGHT HAVE WITH MR. KHRUSHCHEV."

RED TRADE--KENNEDY SAID THIS COUNTRY SHOULD DO SOME TRADING WITH COMMUNIST NATIONS, BUT THAT PRECAUTIONS MUST BE TAKEN TO MAKE SURE THIS "DOES NOT WEAKEN OUR SECURITY."

HE SAID WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES ARE CARRYING ON VERY EXTENSIVE TRADE WITH THE SOVIET UNION--AND SOME COUNTRIES WITH COMMUNIST CHINA.

THE COMMUNIST COUNTRIES TURN TO EUROPE FOR MATERIALS THEY ARE UNABLE TO GET FROM THE UNITED STATES, KENNEDY SAID.

BOYCOTTS--KENNEDY EXPRESSED HOPE THAT BOYCOTTS AGAINST FOREIGN COMMODITIES, ADVOCATED BY SOME DOMESTIC GROUPS, WILL NOT SPREAD. THE PRESIDENT SAID HE RECOGNIZES THAT SOME AMERICAN WORKERS HAVE BEEN HARD HIT AS A RESULT OF FOREIGN IMPORTS, "BUT THEY ARE NOT ALWAYS ABLE TO MAKE A JUDGMENT OF WHAT THE TOTAL NATIONAL NEED IS AND ALSO THE NEED INTERNATIONALLY."

PEACE CORPS--AS FOR PLANS TO SEND A PEACE CORPS CONTINGENT ABROAD TO AID UNDERDEVELOPED NATIONS, KENNEDY SAID IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION THAT HE FAVORS GIVING CONSIDERATION TO CREATION OF A UNITED NATIONS CORPS TO WHICH AMERICAN CORPSMEN WOULD BELONG. KENNEDY MADE THIS COMMENT WHEN A NEWSMAN SUGGESTED SOME COUNTRIES MAY NOT WELCOME EXCLUSIVELY U.S. CORPSMEN.

RADIO FREE EUROPE--THE PRESIDENT OPENED HIS NEWS CONFERENCE WITH A PLEA THAT AMERICANS CONTRIBUTE GENEROUSLY TO THE FINANCING OF RADIO FREE EUROPE. HE SAID THIS PRIVATE ENTERPRISE BRINGS "A BEACON OF LIGHT INTO COUNTRIES TO WHICH MILLIONS OF US ARE TIED BY KINSHIP AND

WHOSE HOPE FOR FREEDOM ALL OF US MUST SHARE."

SWEDEN--THE PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED THAT SWEDISH PRIME MINISTER TAGE ERLANDER WILL MAKE AN INFORMAL VISIT TO THIS COUNTRY FOR 10 DAYS STARTING MARCH 28. KENNEDY AND ERLANDER PLAN TO CONFER HERE THE NEXT DAY. THE PRIME MINISTER WILL THEN VISIT OTHER SECTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES.

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(250) SECOND NIGHT LEAD RED CHINA-NEWSMEN

BY LEWIS GULICK

WASHINGTON, MARCH 8 (AP)--REBUFFED IN HIS FIRST MOVE TO RELAX TENSIONS WITH RED CHINA, PRESIDENT KENNEDY SAID TODAY HIS HOPES ARE DIMMED. BUT HE DECLARED AMERICA WILL NOT SURRENDER TO GET BETTER RELATIONS WITH PEIPING.

KENNEDY SPOKE AT A NEWS CONFERENCE SHORTLY AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT REPORTED COMMUNIST CHINA HAD SPURNED THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION'S INITIAL ATTEMPT TO NARROW THE BITTER GULF BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

AT A MEETING OF AMBASSADORS IN WARSAW YESTERDAY, THE DEPARTMENT REPORTED, THE CHINESE REDS QUASHED A FRESH U. S. PROPOSAL FOR AN EXCHANGE OF NEWSMEN BY DEMANDING AS A CONDITION THAT THIS COUNTRY ABANDON CHIANG KAI-SHEK'S NATIONALIST REGIME ON FORMOSA.

THE REDS ALSO REJECTED U. S. PLEAS FOR FREEING THE FIVE AMERICANS HELD IN RED CHINESE JAILS, AND THEY DECLINED TO RENOUNCE USE OF FORCE AGAINST FORMOSA.

ASKED IF HE HAD HOPED TO MOVE TOWARD MORE HARMONIOUS RELATIONS WITH COMMUNIST CHINA, KENNEDY REPLIED:

"THAT WAS OUR HOPE. THEY ARE UNWILLING TO DO THAT."

HE ADDED:

"THEY (THE RED CHINESE) HAVE BEEN, AS WE KNOW, EXTREMELY BELLIGERENT TOWARD US, AND THEY HAVE BEEN UNFAILING IN THEIR ATTACKS UPON THE UNITED STATES. OF COURSE, I THINK PART OF THAT HAS BEEN BECAUSE THEY RECOGNIZE THAT THE UNITED STATES IS COMMITTED TO . . . MAINTAINING ITS CONNECTIONS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES, COMMITTED TO ITS OWN DEFENSE AND THE DEFENSE OF FREEDOM."

"THEY HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY HARSH IN THEIR ATTACKS UPON US. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A LESSENING OF THAT TENSION. THAT WAS OUR HOPE FROM THE BEGINNING."

"BUT WE ARE NOT PREPARED TO SURRENDER IN ORDER TO GET A RELAXATION OF THAT."

THE REBUFF OCCURRED YESTERDAY IN WARSAW WHERE U.S. AMBASSADOR JACOB D. BEAM MET WITH RED CHINESE AMBASSADOR WANG PING-NAN. THIS WAS THE 103RD AMBASSADORIAL MEETING BETWEEN THE TWO COLD WAR FOES SINCE THE END OF THE KOREAN WAR, BUT WAS THE FIRST PARLEY SINCE KENNEDY TOOK OFFICE.

KENNEDY HAS MADE A POINT OF TRYING TO SEEK AREAS OF AGREEMENT WITH THE REDS IN ORDER TO MOVE OUT OF WHAT HE TERMS A DANGEROUS DEADLOCK WITH THE COMMUNIST WORLD.

AMBASSADOR WANG, HOWEVER, REFUSED EVEN TO RECEIVE A LIST OF 32 U.S. NEWSMEN HANDED HIM BY BEAM WITH A PROMISE THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD PROMPTLY CONSIDER A SIMILAR LIST OF APPLICATIONS BY CHINESE COMMUNIST NEWSMEN TO ENTER THE UNITED STATES.

WANG SAID "IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO SETTLE THE QUESTION OF NEWSMEN WHILE THE UNITED STATES CONTINUED TO 'OCCUPY' TAIWAN (FORMOSA)," STATE DEPARTMENT PRESS OFFICER JOSEPH W. REAP REPORTED.

WHEN THE UNITED STATES LAST MADE A SIMILAR PROPOSAL FOR EXCHANGE OF NEWSMEN UNDER THE EISENHOWER ADMINISTRATION, WANG SPURNED IT AT A WARSAW MEETING LAST SEPT. 6. HE THEN INSISTED ON OTHER CONDITIONS UNACCEPTABLE TO WASHINGTON, INCLUDING A REQUIREMENT THAT THE AMERICAN NEWSMEN ADMITTED TO RED CHINA WRITE NOTHING "CONTRARY TO CHINESE COMMUNIST OBJECTIVES."

PEIPING STILL HAS SUBMITTED NO APPLICATIONS FOR CHINESE NEWSMEN TO COME TO THE UNITED STATES.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT SAID THAT DESPITE YESTERDAY'S TURNDOWN, THE UNITED STATES WILL CONTINUE TO PUSH WHAT REAP TERMED ITS "REASONABLE



PROPOSALS IN HOPES OF A MORE FAVORABLE RESPONSE FROM THE REDS. THE NEXT WARSAW MEETING IS SET FOR APRIL 18.

OFFICIALS SAID THE ATMOSPHERE AT YESTERDAY'S AMBASSADORIAL PARLEY WAS COURTEOUS, BUT THAT WANG BUDGED NOT ONE IOTA FROM THE COMMUNISTS' PREVIOUS LINE AND ADDED A NEW CONDITION.

STATE DEPARTMENT PRESS OFFICER LINCOLN WHITE DECLINED COMMENT ON THE SUBSTANCE OF YESTERDAY'S MEETING, EXCEPT ON THE NEWSMEN QUESTION, WHICH HE TERMED OF THE MOST VITAL INTEREST TO REPORTERS.

HE SAID THERE WAS A GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT THAT NOTHING ELSE BE GIVEN OUT ABOUT THE TALKS. HE SAID HE DID NOT KNOW, HOWEVER, WHETHER THE REDS HAD AGREED TO THIS "GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT."

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NIGHT LEAD COMMONWEALTH (510)

BY ARTHUR GAVSHON

LONDON, MARCH 8 (AP)-MOST OF THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH'S NATIONAL LEADERS FAVOR SEATING RED CHINA IN THE UNITED NATIONS, IT WAS REPORTED TODAY AT THEIR ANNUAL SURVEY OF WORLD AFFAIRS.

THE INFORMATION CAME OUT OF A CLOSED SESSION OF THE 12 COMMONWEALTH NATIONS AT LANCASTER HOUSE AS PRESIDENT KENNEDY WAS TELLING A NEWS CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON THAT THE UNITED STATES WANTS A LESSENING OF TENSIONS WITH THE CHINESE COMMUNISTS BUT "WE ARE NOT PREPARED TO SURRENDER" IN ORDER TO LESSEN SUCH TENSIONS.

ONE COMMONWEALTH NATION LEADER WHO FAVORS ADMITTING RED CHINA, PRESIDENT KWAME NKRUMAH OF GHANA, WAS VISITING KENNEDY IN WASHINGTON AND IS COMING HERE LATER IN THE WEEK.

KENNEDY TOLD THE REPORTERS THAT RED CHINA'S REJECTION OF A NEW U.S. PROPOSAL FOR AN EXCHANGE OF NEWSMEN HAD DIMMED HIS HOPES OF EASING TENSIONS. AS A CONDITION FOR THE EXCHANGE, THE RED CHINESE DEMANDED THAT THE UNITED STATES ABAONDON CHIANG KAI-SHEK'S NATIONALIST REGIME ON FORMOSA.

THE UNITED STATES HAS TAKEN THE LEAD ANNUALLY AT THE UNITED NATIONS IN DEFERRING DEBATE ON THE QUESTION OF ADMITTING RED CHINA.

THE ASSEMBLY VOTED 42-34, WITH 22 ABSTENTIONS, LAST OCTOBER TO POSTPONE DEBATE ON THE RED CHINA QUESTION UNTIL NEXT AUTUMN.

BRITISH OFFICIALS TAKE THE VIEW THAT NO EAST-WEST DISARMAMENT PACT WOULD BE REALISTIC WITHOUT TAKING IN RED CHINA.

THEY APPARENTLY FELT THAT THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION WOULD WELCOME A COMMONWEALTH INITIATIVE ON THE ISSUE OF RED CHINA.

EMERGING FROM THE TALKS HERE OF LEADERS REPRESENTING 640 MILLION PEOPLE, BRITISH COMMONWEALTH RELATIONS SECRETARY DUNCAN SANDYS TOLD NEWSMEN:

"THERE WAS A WIDE MEASURE OF AGREEMENT ON THE GENERAL APPROACH TO THE PROBLEMS DISCUSSED."

HE INDICATED THESE PROBLEMS INCLUDED RED CHINA; THE CRISES IN THE CONGO AND LAOS, AFRICAN DEVELOPMENTS IN GENERAL, THE IMPACT OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S ADMINISTRATION ON EAST-WEST RELATIONS, AND PROSPECTS FOR EARLY EAST-WEST SUMMIT TALKS.

OTHER INFORMANTS REPORTED:

1. FIVE COUNTRIES THAT NOW RECOGNIZE THE PEIPING REGIME FEEL POSITIVE ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN SOON TO CLEAR A WAY FOR RED CHINA ENTRY INTO THE U.N. THE FIVE ARE BRITAIN, INDIA, PAKISTAN, CEYLON AND GHANA.

2. THREE OTHER COUNTRIES THAT HAVE NOT YET ESTABLISHED RELATIONS WITH PEIPING ARE READY TO CONSIDER SUPPORTING IT FOR U.N. MEMBERSHIP. THEY ARE CANADA, MALAYA AND NIGERIA.

3. ONLY SOUTH AFRICA, OF THE REMAINING FOUR COUNTRIES, APPEARED ACTIVELY AGAINST RECOGNITION OF THE PEIPING GOVERNMENT.

4. THE CENTRAL AFRICAN FEDERATION (THE RHODESIAS AND NYASALAND) IS NOT YET FULLY INDEPENDENT AND SO CANNOT ESTABLISH RELATIONS WITH FOREIGN POWERS.

5. AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND WERE SAID HERE TO BE UNENTHUSIASTIC BUT OPEN-MINDED. NEW ZEALAND PRIME MINISTER KEITH J. HOLYOAKE, IN A JOINT COMMUNIQUE WITH PRESIDENT KENNEDY IN WASHINGTON LAST WEEK

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DECLARED CONCERN OVER "THE HOSTILE AND AGGRESSIVE ATTITUDE OF THE CHINESE COMMUNIST REGIME."

THE PRIME MINISTERS TEMPORARILY SHELVED THEIR INTRAMURAL DIFFERENCES OVER SUCH ISSUES AS SOUTH AFRICA'S RACIAL POLICIES IN THEIR EFFORTS TO REACH A COMMON APPROACH TO WORLD PROBLEMS.

A GROUP OF DEMONSTRATORS WEARING BLACK SASHES MARCHED OUTSIDE LANCASTER HOUSE TO PROTEST SOUTH AFRICAN RACIAL SEGREGATION AS THE PRIME MINISTERS MET.

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NIGHT LEAD U.N. (350)

BY WILLIAM N. OATIS

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., MARCH 8 (AP)-THE UNITED STATES CLAIMED TODAY TO HAVE FOUND CONSIDERABLE INTEREST AND SUPPORT IN A DRIVE TO HAVE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DROP DISARMAMENT AND MOST OTHER SUBJECTS FROM THE AGENDA OF ITS DAY-OLD RESUMED SESSION.

A U.S. DELEGATION SPOKESMAN MADE THE CLAIM BEFORE CORRESPONDENTS. BUT HE INDICATED THAT THE SOVIET UNION WAS STILL HOLDING OUT FOR A FULL DEBATE ON DISARMAMENT.

THE SPOKESMAN EXPRESSED BELIEF THAT IF ALL COLD-WAR AND NON-ESSENTIAL ITEMS COULD BE KNOCKED OUT OF THE 39-ITEM AGENDA, THE ASSEMBLY COULD WIND UP BY THE END OF MARCH--OR IN ABOUT THREE AND A HALF WEEKS. SOME OTHER DIPLOMATS SAID PRIVATELY THEY THOUGHT IT WOULD STILL TAKE SIX, AS HAD BEEN EXPECTED ALL ALONG.

THE CONGO CRISIS IS SLATED TO TAKE UP A MAJOR SHARE OF THE ASSEMBLY'S TIME.

BRITAIN CARRIED THE BALL IN THE CAMPAIGN TO TRIM DOWN THE AGENDA. MINISTER OF STATE DAVID ORMSBY-GORE TALKED TO SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER ANDREI A. GROMYKO ON THE SUBJECT, AS U.S. CHIEF DELEGATE ADLAI E. STEVENSON HAD DONE MONDAY.

STEVENSON HAD A LUNCHEON CONFERENCE WITH VENEZUELAN DELEGATE CARLOS SOSA-RODRIGUEZ, CHAIRMAN OF THE 20-NATION LATIN-AMERICAN GROUP.

THE 46-NATION ASIAN-AFRICAN GROUP MET AND MEMBERS SAID IT AGREED TO DEFER ANY DECISION ON THE ISSUE OF AGENDA-CUTTING TILL IT LEARNED THE OUTCOME OF THE U.S.-SOVIET NEGOTIATIONS.

NEITHER THE BRITISH NOR THE RUSSIANS SAID WHAT HAPPENED IN THE GROMYKO-ORMSBY-GORE CONVERSATION. BUT THERE WAS NO SIGN THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAD CHANGED ITS POSITION, EXPRESSED IN A STATEMENT YESTERDAY, THAT DISARMAMENT WAS THE PARAMOUNT ISSUE BEFORE THE ASSEMBLY AND IF ANYTHING WAS DROPPED IT SHOULD BE ITEMS LIKE HUNGARY AND TIBET.

THE BRITISH STAND WAS THAT ONLY THOSE ITEMS USEFUL TO THE U.N. ORGANIZATION SHOULD COME UP AT THE PRESENT SESSION, A CONTINUATION OF THE ONE THAT WENT ON FROM LAST SEPT. 20 TO DEC. 21.

THE U.S. STAND, AS STEVENSON OUTLINED IT IN A STATEMENT AFTER HE MET GROMYKO, WAS THAT THE AGENDA SHOULD BE "CUT TO THE BONE" THROUGH THE DEFERMENT TO NEXT FALL OF SUBJECTS THAT WOULD AGGRAVATE THE COLD WAR.

HE SAID THE ASSEMBLY SHOULD CONCENTRATE ON FINANCING OF THE U.N. CONGO OPERATION, AND OTHER ASPECTS OF THE CONGO QUESTION IF NECESSARY.

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BY WILLIAM N. OATIS

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., MARCH 8 (AP)-A SPOKESMAN FOR AN ORGANIZATION OF HUNGARIAN EXILES SAID TONIGHT THEY PLAN A FIGHT AGAINST A SOVIET BID TO HAVE THE U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY DROP THE HUNGARIAN QUESTION.



MSGR. BELA VARGA, PRESIDENT OF THE HUNGARIAN COMMITTEE (CAPS H.C.), SAID THE 17-MEMBER GROUP AT A SPECIAL MEETING TODAY DECIDED TO WRITE EACH OF THE 99 U.N. DELEGATIONS INSISTING THAT COMMUNIST REPRESSION IN HUNGARY REMAIN ON THE ASSEMBLY AGENDA.

HE SAID THE COMMITTEE PREFERRED THE HUNGARIAN ISSUE TO BE DISCUSSED NOW BUT WOULD NOT OPPOSE ITS POSTPONEMENT TO THE FALL SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY.

VARGA SAID IF THE ASSEMBLY SCRAPS THE ISSUE ENTIRELY AND "SELLS HUNGARY DOWN THE RIVER, IT WILL BE THE BURIAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS."

BOTH THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES HAVE URGED REMOVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS IN AN EFFORT TO RELAX TENSION BETWEEN THE TWO MAJOR POWER BLOCS. THE RUSSIANS SPECIFICALLY CALLED FOR ELIMINATION OF "THE SO-CALLED HUNGARIAN AND TIBET QUESTIONS," WHILE U.S. CHIEF DELEGATE ADLAI E. STEVENSON SUGGESTED THAT THE ASSEMBLY POSTPONE UNTIL THE FALL ALL EXCEPT ITEMS ESSENTIAL TO THE CONDUCT OF U.N. BUSINESS.

VARGA SAID HE UNDERSTOOD STEVENSON WANTS TO DEFER DEBATE ON THE HUNGARIAN FREEDOM ISSUE, AMONG OTHERS, WHILE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER ANDREI A. GROMYKO WANTS TO BAR IT FROM THE AGENDA FROM NOW ON.

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BY REINHOLD G. ENSZ  
MOSCOW, MARCH 8 (AP)—U.S. AMBASSADOR LLEWELLYN THOMPSON LEFT BY PLANE FOR NOVOSIBIRSK TODAY TO DELIVER PERSONALLY PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S MESSAGE OF GOODWILL TO SOVIET PREMIER KHRUSHCHEV.

THE AMBASSADOR BROUGHT THE MESSAGE FROM WASHINGTON LAST WEEK BUT KHRUSHCHEV IS TOURING SIBERIA, PRODDING AGRICULTURAL OFFICIALS TO A HIGHER LEVEL OF EFFICIENCY.

THOMPSON OFFERED TO GO ANYWHERE IN THE SOVIET UNION TO DELIVER KENNEDY'S MESSAGE, AND KHRUSHCHEV YESTERDAY INVITED HIM TO FLY OUT FOR A MEETING.

KHRUSHCHEV'S DECISION TO INTERRUPT HIS BUSY TOUR WAS UNPRECEDENTED IN THE SOVIET CAPITAL'S DIPLOMATIC HISTORY AND INDICATED THE IMPORTANCE THE PREMIER ATTACHES TO KENNEDY'S MESSAGE.

DIPLOMATIC OBSERVERS IN MOSCOW VIEWED KHRUSHCHEV'S INVITATION AS AN EFFORT TO PREVENT ANY COOLING OFF IN RELATIONS BETWEEN THE KREMLIN AND THE NEW ADMINISTRATION IN WASHINGTON.

THOMPSON MADE NO REMARKS BEFORE LEAVING AND INSTRUCTED HIS STAFF TO TREAT HIS TRIP WITH UTMOST SECRECY. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY THE EMBASSY'S POLITICAL COUNSELLOR, BORIS KLOSSON (CQ).

DETAILS OF KENNEDY'S MESSAGE HAVE NOT BEEN DISCLOSED, BUT IT IS KNOWN TO BE CONCILIATORY, AS PART OF THE PRESIDENT'S CAMPAIGN TO KEEP OPEN HIS LINES OF COMMUNICATION WITH THE KREMLIN.

IT POSSIBLY CONTAINS AN APPEAL TO THE KREMLIN TO AGREE TO DROP DISCUSSION OF DISARMAMENT AT THE CURRENT U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN FAVOR OF PRIVATE NEGOTIATIONS DURING THE SUMMER WHILE THE NEW U.S. ADMINISTRATION REVIEWS THE DISARMAMENT SITUATION AND FORMULATES A NEW POLICY.

THE UNITED STATES EXPRESSED ITS DESIRE FOR THIS AT THE U.N. YESTERDAY, BUT THE RUSSIANS INSISTED THAT THE ASSEMBLY TAKE UP KHRUSHCHEV'S PROPOSAL FOR TOTAL DISARMAMENT.

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PRECEDING BONN DAY (140)  
ROME, MARCH 8 (AP)—W. AVERELL HARRIMAN ARRIVED IN ROME TONIGHT FOR TALKS WITH THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT. OFFICIALS APPEARED NERVOUS ABOUT HOW MUCH HELP PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S TRAVELING AMBASSADOR WILL ASK FOR THE HARD-PRESSED DOLLAR.

ITALY IS SITTING ON A STEADILY GROWING RESERVE OF GOLD AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE AND—LIKE WEST GERMANY—IS IN A POSITION TO HELP THE UNITED STATES SOLVE ITS INTERNATIONAL BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROBLEM.

HARRIMAN SAID HE HAD COME TO ITALY "WITH NO PARTICULAR NEGOTIATIONS" IN MIND.

ASKED IF HE HAD DISCUSSED DURING HIS EUROPEAN TOUR A JOINT PROGRAM FOR AID TO UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRIES, HE REPLIED:

"YES, THIS IS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE. WE DISCUSSED IT PARTICULARLY IN BONN AND IT WILL COME UP AGAIN LATER THIS MONTH IN LONDON."

THE LONDON MEETING WILL BRING TOGETHER WESTERN COUNTRIES AND JAPAN FOR A DISCUSSION OF ECONOMIC AID PROGRAMS.

MEANWHILE HARRIMAN'S MISSION TO WEST GERMANY CAME UNDER CRITICISM FROM THOMAS DENLER, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE GERMAN LOWER HOUSE OF PARLIAMENT AND A MEMBER OF THE FREE DEMOCRATIC PARTY, A CONSERVATIVE OPPOSITION GROUP.

IN A RADIO ADDRESS IN BONN, DENLER ACCUSED HARRIMAN OF "A COMPLETE LACK OF UNDERSTANDING FOR GERMAN MATTERS" ON HIS THREE-DAY VISIT TO BONN TO EXPLAIN THE VIEWS OF THE NEW ADMINISTRATION IN WASHINGTON.

"MR. HARRIMAN HAS WITH CUTTING COLDNESS TAKEN UP ONLY WHAT INTERESTED HIM, NAMELY, THE ASSUMPTION BY WEST GERMANY OF OBLIGATIONS FOR ALLEVIATING BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DIFFICULTIES AND CONTRIBUTING TOWARD THE DEVELOPMENT OF OTHER COUNTRIES," DENLER SAID.

HARRIMAN'S VISIT HERE DREW MORE THAN USUAL INTEREST. NEWSPAPERS CARRIED FULL BIOGRAPHIES OF THE FORMER NEW YORK GOVERNOR. HIS ARRIVAL WAS SHOWN ON THE ITALIAN STATE TV NETWORK.

CARLO RUSSO, ITALIAN UNDERSECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AND OUTERBRIDGE NORSEY, U.S. CHARGE D'AFFAIRES, HEADED THE DIPLOMATIC GROUP THAT MET HARRIMAN. #745P

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WITH ROME HARRIMAN  
BONN, GERMANY, MARCH 8 (AP)—GOVERNMENT CIRCLES TODAY EXPRESSED SATISFACTION AT ASSURANCES BY ROVING U.S. AMBASSADOR W. AVERELL HARRIMAN THAT NUCLEAR WEAPONS WILL REMAIN WITHIN REACH OF NATO'S FRONTLINE TROOPS.

THE ASSURANCES WERE REPORTED GIVEN BY HARRIMAN TO DEFENSE MINISTER FRANZ JOSEPH STRAUSS DURING A TWO-DAY VISIT. THE WEST GERMANS HAVE FEARED FRONTLINE TROOPS MIGHT BE FORCED TO FIGHT ONE DAY WITHOUT TACTICAL NUCLEAR ARMS.

THE TACTICAL NUCLEAR WEAPONS WILL CONTINUE TO BE HELD IN READINESS BY NATO, WITH THE GERMAN ARMED FORCES IN POSSESSION OF LAUNCHING DEVICES ONLY.

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AMS BUDGET

NIGHT LEAD POLARIS (360)  
HOLY LOCH, SCOTLAND, MARCH 8 (AP)—THE U.S. NUCLEAR SUBMARINE PATRICK HENRY PROUDLY SAILED INTO HOLY LOCH TODAY WITH A WORLD UNDERWATER CRUISING RECORD OF 66 DAYS AND 22 HOURS TO HER CREDIT. FOUR BRITISH PACIFISTS WERE UNIMPRESSED. BY CANOE AND ROWBOAT THEY MOVED OUT TOWARD THE GREAT SHIP BUT WERE SHOOED OFF BY BRITISH LAUNCHES.



ONE DEMONSTRATOR'S CANOE SANK. HE WAS HAULED OUT OF THE WATER AND ARRESTED FOR DISTURBING THE PEACE.

THE PATRICK HENRY--WITH A FULL LOAD OF 16 POLARIS MISSILES ABOARD--ECLIPSED THE OLD MARK OF 47 DAYS SET BY A SISTER SUBMARINE, THE GEORGE WASHINGTON.

EFFICIENTLY AND QUICKLY THE PATRICK HENRY MOORED ALONGSIDE THE DEPOT SHIP PROTEUS TO TAKE ON A RELIEF CREW AND FRESH SUPPLIES. THE PATRICK HENRY IS THE FIRST AMERICAN POLARIS SUBMARINE TO ARRIVE IN THE HOLY LOCH. BASING FACILITIES ARE PROVIDED UNDER A RECENT U.S.-BRITISH AGREEMENT THAT HAS TOUCHED OFF "BAN THE BOMB" DEMONSTRATIONS FROM SCOTLAND TO LONDON.

SAILORS ABOARD THE PROTEUS LINED THE RAIL AND GAVE A HEARTY CHEER FOR THE PATRICK HENRY AS THE SUBMARINE GLIDED IN THROUGH THE EARLY MORNING MIST.

HAPPY CREWMEN ON THE SUBMARINE, WEARING RED AND YELLOW LIFEJACKETS, BALANCED ON THE BLACK HULL AND WAVED BACK.

THE PATRICK HENRY MADE THE 11,000-MILE CRUISE FROM CHARLESTON, S.C., WITH 140 MEN ABOARD--13 OFFICERS, 122 ENLISTED MEN AND FIVE CIVILIANS REPRESENTING MANUFACTURERS OF SOME OF THE EQUIPMENT.

ALTHOUGH THE DISTANCE FROM CHARLESTON TO HOLY LOCH IS AROUND 3,500 MILES THE PENTAGON IN WASHINGTON SAID THE PATRICK HENRY WAS 66 DAYS ON THE VOYAGE SO IT WAS REASONABLE TO ASSUME SHE COVERED 11,000 MILES.

THE COMMANDING OFFICER, CAPT. HAROLD E. SHEAR, SAID THE VOYAGE WAS MADE UNDER FULLY ARMED PATROL CONDITIONS WITH THE SUBMARINE CAPABLE OF LAUNCHING THE MISSILES AT ANY TIME.

THE MEN ABOARD THE DEADLY ATOMIC SUBMARINE COMPETED IN A BEARD GROWING CONTEST, ORGANIZED A CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT AND PRODUCED THEIR OWN DAILY NEWSPAPER, SHEAR SAID.

"THERE WERE NO CLAUSTROPHOBIC MOMENTS--NO PROBLEMS OF ANY KIND," HE TOLD REPORTERS. "WE COULD HAVE REMAINED SUBMERGED A GOOD MANY WEEKS MORE."

"I THINK THE GEORGE WASHINGTON AND THE PATRICK HENRY IN THESE FIRST TWO HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL PATROLS HAVE BEEN DEMONSTRATED THE VALUE OF THIS POLARIS WEAPON SYSTEM BEYOND A DOUBT."

"I BELIEVE MOST THINKING PEOPLE WILL REALIZE NOW THAT WE HAVE A TRULY GREAT DEFENSIVE WEAPON FOR THE FREE WORLD."

OVERNIGHT SOMEONE PRODUCED A MYSTERIOUS CHANGE IN A SLOGAN PAINTED ON A WALL NEAR WHERE ANTI-POLARIS DEMONSTRATORS HAVE BEEN CAMPING.

THE SLOGAN READ: "POLARIS SPELLS DOOM." IT WAS CHANGED TO READ: "POLARIS SPELLS BOOM."

THAT COULD HAVE BEEN THE WORK OF A RESIDENT OF DUNOON, A NEARBY TOWN EXPERIENCING AN UPSURGE IN BUSINESS FROM THE AMERICAN SAILORS. # 874P  
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#### (300) RUSSIAN SUBMARINES

WASHINGTON, MARCH 8 (AP)--ADM. ARLEIGH A. BURKE SAID TODAY THE RUSSIANS NOW HAVE IN OPERATION A NUMBER OF SUBMARINES BELIEVED CAPABLE OF LAUNCHING BALLISTIC MISSILES.

THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS ALSO REPORTED TO THE HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE THAT THE SOVIETS PROBABLY HAVE NUCLEAR-POWERED SUBMARINES BUT SAID HE DOUBTED THEY ARE YET FULLY READY FOR ACTION.

BURKE SAID THE PRESENT RUSSIAN MISSILE BOATS ARE CONVENTIONALLY POWERED "AS FAR AS IS KNOWN," BUT THAT A SOVIET VERSION OF THE AMERICAN POLARIS-FIRING, NUCLEAR-POWERED SUBMARINE "MUST BE EXPECTED IN THE NEAR FUTURE."

THE ADMIRAL GAVE HIS ASSESSMENT OF RUSSIAN NAVAL POWER IN A PERSONAL REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE BEHIND CLOSED DOORS.

A LIMITED VERSION OF THE REVIEW BURKE PRESENTED WAS GIVEN NEWSMEN. IT NOTED RUSSIAN CONSTRUCTION OF GUIDED MISSILE DESTROYERS AND PATROL CRAFT, AND SAID THE SOVIET SUBMARINE FORCE, NOT TOTALLING OVER 400 BOATS, MAY DECLINE SLIGHTLY IN NUMBERS AS OLDER UNITS ARE REPLACED.

BURKE ALSO REPORTED THAT THE CHINESE COMMUNIST NAVY IS NOW THE "LARGEST WHOLLY ASIAN NAVAL FORCE IN THE FAR EAST" WITH A "SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF SUBMARINES AND WELL DEVELOPED NAVAL AVIATION."

HE DESCRIBED THE CHINESE RED NAVY AS PRIMARILY DEFENSIVE, BUT POSSESSING A LIMITED OFFENSIVE CAPABILITY.

SECRETARY OF THE NAVY JOHN B. CONNALLY SAID IN A STATEMENT RELEASED BY THE COMMITTEE THAT THERE ARE "NO PROSPECTS FOR THE LESSENING OF OUR ENEMY'S ABILITY OR DESIRE TO EMPLOY ALL MEANS POSSIBLE TO DOMINATE THE FREE WORLD."

HE SAID NAVY MANPOWER--STRENGTH TO BE MAINTAINED THIS YEAR WOULD BE "AT LEAST" 625,000 NAVY MEN AND 175,000 MARINES.

CONNALLY DECLARED THAT THE NAVY'S "TIGHTLY STRETCHED FORCES... CAN NO LONGER TAKE ON ADDITIONAL COMMITMENTS WITHOUT INCREASED PERSONNEL AND INCREASED FUNDS."

THE SECRETARY SAID FIVE POLARIS SUBMARINES WILL BE OPERATING BY JULY 1, THAT CONTRACTS FOR 10 ADDITIONAL MISSILE SUBMARINES WILL BE AWARDED BY THAT SAME DATE AND THAT 19 WILL BE READY FOR ACTION BY EARLY 1964.

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AMS BUDGET (320)

#### NIGHT LEAD SPACE-MILITARY

WASHINGTON, MARCH 8 (AP)--SECRETARY OF DEFENSE ROBERT S. MCNAMARA ISSUED AN ORDER TODAY KEEPING THE LION'S SHARE OF MILITARY SPACE DEVELOPMENT UNDER CONTROL OF THE AIR FORCE.

THE SHARE MAY AMOUNT TO 91 PER CENT OF THE \$850 MILLION BUDGET FOR MILITARY SPACE RESEARCH.

MCNAMARA SAID HE AND DEPUTY SECRETARY ROSWELL GILPATRIC "HAVE DECIDED TO ASSIGN SPACE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE, EXCEPT UNDER UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES."

THE ORDER, HOWEVER, DID NOT MAKE CLEAR HOW BROAD THESE "UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES" MIGHT BE.

ONLY TWO PROJECTS WERE SPECIFICALLY LISTED AS EXCEPTIONS: THE NAVY'S TRANSIT NAVIGATION SATELLITE PROGRAM AND THE ARMY'S ADVENT COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.

BUT WHEN ASKED ABOUT THE NAVY'S PLANS TO LAUNCH SPACE VEHICLES FROM SHIPS, AIDES TO MCNAMARA CALLED ATTENTION TO THE PROVISION IN MCNAMARA'S ORDER ALLOWING FOR "UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES."

IN ADDITION, THEY NOTED THE ORDER DEALT ONLY WITH RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, NOT PRELIMINARY RESEARCH.

THE ARMY AND NAVY STILL COULD CONDUCT PRELIMINARY RESEARCH TO START A PROJECT AND, AFTER ITS DEVELOPMENT, COULD BE ASSIGNED RESPONSIBILITY FOR USING THE NEW WEAPONS SYSTEM.

THE ORDER BY MCNAMARA APPARENTLY DID NOT CHANGE THE SPACE SET-UP IN THE PENTAGON. THE DIRECTIVE WAS DESCRIBED AS AN EXTENSION OF AN ORDER ISSUED BY FORMER SECRETARY NEIL MCELROY IN 1959.

ARTHUR SYLVESTER, ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS, SAID MCNAMARA'S DIRECTIVE "DOES NOT BASICALLY CHANGE THE MCELROY POLICY; IT CLARIFIES AND SHARPENS IT."

A DEFENSE SPOKESMAN ALSO SAID THERE WAS NOTHING IN THE NEW DIRECTIVE THAT MIGHT INFRINGE ON THE CIVILIAN SPACE PROJECTS OF THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION.

IN HIS ORDER, MCELROY SAID HE AND GILPATRIC HAD BECOME CONVINCED THE SPACE PROGRAM "COULD BE MUCH IMPROVED BY BETTER ORGANIZATION AND CLEARER ASSIGNMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY."

GEN. THOMAS D. WHITE, AIR FORCE CHIEF OF STAFF, SAID THAT FOR THE AIR FORCE THE NEW RESPONSIBILITY "REQUIRES MAXIMUM COORDINATION WITH THE OTHER ARMED SERVICES AND PRECISE RESPONSE TO THEIR NEEDS."

HE ADDED IN A STATEMENT THAT "I AM IMPRESSING UPON ALL OF OUR PEOPLE THE IMPORTANCE AND THE DIFFICULTY OF THE TASK THAT LIES AHEAD."

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HANSCOM FIELD, MASS., MARCH 8 (AP)-TRAINING OF A CORPS OF SKY DETECTIVES TO TRACK EVERY OBJECT ORBITING THE EARTH AS PART OF THE NORTH AMERICAN CONTINENTAL DEFENSE WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THE NATIONAL SPACE SURVEILLANCE CONTROL CENTER (NSSCC) REPORTED A 12-MAN U.S. AIR FORCE UNIT IS ALREADY GETTING A UNIQUE EDUCATION IN SPACE TRACKING AT THE NSSCC. THIS CONTINGENT IS THE NUCLEUS OF A FORTHCOMING AIR DEFENSE COMMAND SATELLITE DEFENSE TEAM.

THE TEAM WILL OPERATE FROM THIS CONTINENT'S DEFENSIVE HEADQUARTERS IN COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO., FEEDING SATELLITE INFORMATION TO NORAD (NORTH AMERICAN AIR DEFENSE).

THE 11 OFFICERS AND ONE AIRMAN IN THE GROUP ARE TAKING AN EIGHT MONTHS COURSE FROM PERSONNEL OF THE SPACE SURVEILLANCE CONTROL CENTER. THE NSSCC IS OPERATED BY THE AIR FORCE COMMAND AND CONTROL DEVELOPMENT DIVISION, A UNIT OF THE AIR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COMMAND.

THROUGH A WORLD-WIDE NETWORK OF MORE THAN 100 SATELLITE OBSERVING STATIONS, THE CONTROL CENTER NOW KEEPS TRACK OF EVERY MAN-MADE OBJECT IN SPACE--WHETHER SATELLITE, ROCKET BODY, OR ODD PIECE OF SPACE JUNK CAST OFF DURING A SATELLITE LAUNCH OR BREAKUP.

THE NSSCC'S PRIMARY MISSION IS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN SPACE SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT AND TECHNIQUES; ALTHOUGH IT IS ALSO NOW OPERATING AS THE NATION'S DEFENSE SPACE OBSERVATION CENTER.

HOW DO YOU LEARN TO BE A SKY, OR SATELLITE DETECTIVE? YOU START WITH A HISTORY OF ASTRONOMY. AND FROM THAT YOU MOVE INTO THE TECHNIQUES OF OBSERVING SUCH FAST-MOVING CELESTIAL OBJECTS AS SATELLITES AND COMPUTING THEIR MOTIONS.

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#### SPACE TRACKERS

WASHINGTON, MARCH 8 (AP)-THE FORMATION OF A SPACE TRACKING OUTFIT TO KEEP TABS ON FOREIGN SPY-TYPE SATELLITES AND POTENTIAL BOMB CARRIERS WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY BY THE AIR DEFENSE COMMAND.

THIS NEW UNIT, KNOWN AS THE FIRST AEROSPACE SURVEILLANCE AND CONTROL SQUADRON, WILL BE LOCATED AT COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO., HEADQUARTERS OF THE NORTH AMERICAN AIR DEFENSE COMMAND.

UNDER THE NEW SYSTEM, BOTH THE NAVY AND AIR FORCE SPACE SURVEILLANCE UNITS WILL REPORT DIRECTLY TO THE NEW COMMAND INSTEAD OF GOING THROUGH TIME CONSUMING SERVICE CHANNELS.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FLA., MARCH 8 (AP)-THE ARMY TONIGHT SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHED A REDSTONE ROCKET ON A TEST FLIGHT WHICH UNITED STATES MAN-IN-SPACE OFFICIALS WATCHED WITH SPECIAL INTEREST.

THE ARMY BALLISTIC MISSILE AGENCY REPORTED THE REDSTONE ACHIEVED ALL TEST OBJECTIVES DURING THE 200-MILE FLIGHT. A MAJOR GOAL WAS TO CHECK PERFORMANCE OF DEVICES WHICH IN WARTIME WOULD AUTOMATICALLY ARM AND FUSE THE NUCLEAR WARHEAD AFTER THE ROCKET IS AIRBORNE.

AUTHORITIES OF THE PROJECT MERCURY MANNED SPACE PROGRAM WERE INTERESTED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE REDSTONE'S THRUST REGULATOR, A THROTTLE-LIKE INSTRUMENT WHICH CONTROLS THE FLOW OF FUEL TO THE ROCKET ENGINE.

A MODIFIED REDSTONE WILL BE USED TO HURL AN AMERICAN ASTRONAUT ON A SHORT SPACE FLIGHT, HOPEFULLY WITHIN TWO MONTHS. HOWEVER, A MALFUNCTION OF THE THRUST REGULATOR ON A REDSTONE WHICH BOOSTED ALOFT HAM THE SPACE CHIMP ON JAN. 31 RESULTED IN A HIGHER AND LONGER FLIGHT THAN PLANNED.

ON THAT TEST, THE REGULATOR JAMMED AND THE BOOSTER FUEL WAS DEPLETED FIVE SECONDS BEFORE SCHEDULED BURNOUT. THIS PRODUCED ADDED VELOCITY AND CAUSED A MALFUNCTION SIGNAL, WHICH ACTIVATED A ROCKET ESCAPE TOWER ATOP HAM'S SPACE CAPSULE.

THE ESCAPE TOWER LIFTED THE CAPSULE TO A HEIGHT OF 156 MILES INSTEAD OF THE INTENDED 115 AND DROPPED IT IN THE ATLANTIC OCEAN 414 MILES AWAY INSTEAD OF 290.

IN NEARLY 50 PREVIOUS REDSTONE MILITARY AND SPACE FLIGHTS, THE REGULATOR HAD A HISTORY OF EXCEPTIONAL RELIABILITY. MERCURY OFFICIALS SAID THE FAILURE ON THE HAM SHOT WAS A RANDOM ONE WHICH HAS LITTLE CHANCE OF OCCURRING AGAIN. NEVERTHELESS, THEY WILL TAKE A CAREFUL LOOK AT DATA FROM TONIGHT'S LAUNCHING.

THE REDSTONE HAS BEEN OPERATIONAL AS A MILITARY WEAPON FOR NEARLY THREE YEARS AND IS STATIONED WITH NATO TROOPS IN EUROPE. THE ARMY FIRES ONE OF THE ROCKETS HERE EVERY SEVERAL MONTHS TO TEST RELIABILITY AND ENGINEERING REFINEMENTS.

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#### (380) NIGHT LEAD ATOMIC PLANE

WASHINGTON, MARCH 8 (AP)-MEMBERS OF THE SENATE-HOUSE ATOMIC-ENERGY COMMITTEE HEARD TESTIMONY TODAY ABOUT REPORTED PENTAGON EFFORTS TO KILL OFF ONE NUCLEAR POWERED AIRCRAFT IN FAVOR OF ONE THAT MIGHT FLY BETTER WHEN PERFECTED YEARS LATER.

CHAIRMAN MELVIN PRICE, D-ILL., OF THE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE, CALLED A CLOSED DOOR HEARING TO ASK ABOUT THAT. HE ALSO WANTED TO FIND OUT WHY THE EISENHOWER ADMINISTRATION, IN A DECISION ENDORSED BY THE KENNEDY REGIME, SLASHED REACTOR FUNDS.

REP. CHET HOLIFIELD, D-CALIF., CHAIRMAN OF THE FULL COMMITTEE, TOLD A REPORTER AFTERWARD THE PROBABLE RESULTS WOULD BE ANOTHER RECOMMENDATION TO THE PENTAGON TO "GET OFF THE DIME AND GET A NUCLEAR AIRCRAFT INTO THE AIR."

GENERAL ELECTRIC CO. SAID ITS DIRECT CYCLE NUCLEAR MOTOR CAN BE BUILT AS SOON AS THERE IS A PLANE TO PUT IT IN. THE SUBCOMMITTEE ALSO HEARD FROM PRATT & WHITNEY, CONTRACTORS FOR THE COMPETING LONGER-RANGE PROJECT, AN INDIRECT CYCLE ENGINE.

GE SAID IT HAD BEEN ASKED TO POSTPONE CONSTRUCTION OF ITS REACTOR UNTIL THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION HAS COMPLETED A REAPPRAISAL.

MEANWHILE, GE SAID IT IS CONTINUING THE TESTING OF ENGINE PARTS AT CINCINNATI AND AT IDAHO FALLS, IDAHO AND THAT IT IS READY TO START BUILDING A NUCLEAR ENGINE.

DR. GLENN SEABORG, NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION WHO WAS THE FIRST WITNESS TODAY, SAID LATER HE "LEARNED A LOT."

AIR FORCE BRIG. GEN. IRVING L. BRANCH, CHIEF OF THE AEC-DEFENSE DEPARTMENT NUCLEAR PROPULSION OFFICE, REVIEWED THE 15-YEAR EFFORT THAT HAS COST MORE THAN \$800 MILLION TO DEVELOP AN ATOMIC POWERED AIRCRAFT.

DR. HERBERT YORK, DEFENSE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING AND RESEARCH IN BOTH THE EISENHOWER AND KENNEDY ADMINISTRATIONS, ALL BUT CANCELLED THE GE REACTOR PROGRAM MORE THAN A YEAR AGO WHEN HE CONCLUDED THAT ALTHOUGH IT WOULD PROBABLY LIFT AND FLY AN AIRPLANE, IT WOULD BE TOO SLOW TO MEET SPECIFIC MILITARY REQUIREMENTS.

IN THE DIRECT CYCLE SYSTEM, THE AIR THAT DRIVES THE PROPULSION MACHINERY IS HEATED BY PASSAGE DIRECTLY THROUGH AN ATOMIC REACTOR. IN THE INDIRECT SYSTEM, THE LIQUID (MOLTEN) METAL WOULD TRANSFER THE HEAT. THE DIRECT CYCLE SYSTEM IS SIMPLER, AND WOULD NOT CONTAIN MOLTEN METAL THAT COULD CONCEIVABLY LEAK THROUGH PINHOLES IN TUBING.

PROPOSERS OF THE INDIRECT SYSTEM ARGUE THAT THE HIGHER HEAT IT SHOULD PRODUCE WILL MEAN MORE POWER AND SPEED. THEY ALSO CONTEND THAT IT WOULD EMIT VIRTUALLY NO NUCLEAR FISSION PRODUCTS INTO THE AIR.

THE CONVAIR DIVISION OF GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP., HAS BEEN ASSIGNED THE JOB OF DESIGNING A MODEL AIRPLANE IN WHICH THE FIRST NUCLEAR ENGINES MAY BE TESTED.

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#### (320) USIA-BOOKS

WASHINGTON, MARCH 8 (AP)-THE U. S. INFORMATION AGENCY SAID TODAY IT HAS CUT BACK ON A COOPERATIVE BOOK PUBLISHING PROGRAM IN ARGENTINA BECAUSE OF QUESTIONS RAISED ABOUT SALES FIGURES PROVIDED BY ONE PUBLISHER.



IT SAID ADDITIONAL PUBLICATIONS ARE BEING UNDERTAKEN IN OTHER LATIN AMERICAN CAPITALS, HOWEVER, AND THERE HAS BEEN NO OVER-ALL CUTBACK IN THE EXTENT OF THE LATIN AMERICAN BOOK PROGRAM.

THE USIA ANNOUNCEMENT SAID THAT "REVISIONS ARE IN PROCESS IN ITS BOOK TRANSLATION PROGRAM FOR LATIN AMERICA AIMED AT GIVING THE AGENCY FIRMER ASSURANCE OF COMMERCIAL DISTRIBUTION FOR ITS BOOKS THROUGHOUT THE AREA."

IT DECLINED TO NAME ANY PUBLISHER, AND SAID IT HAS NO PROOF THAT ANY FIGURES FURNISHED TO IT WERE FAULTY.

THE STATEMENT WAS ISSUED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST FOR COMMENT ON A ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH STORY FROM MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY, WHICH REPORTED THAT A BUENOS AIRES PUBLISHER WAS INVOLVED.

THE POST-DISPATCH STORY SAID INQUIRY HAD CAST DOUBT ON WHETHER MILLIONS OF BOOKS SUPPOSEDLY PUBLISHED UNDER THE PROGRAM ACTUALLY WERE BEING PRINTED.

THE USIA DECLINED TO ESTIMATE HOW MANY BOOKS MAY BE INVOLVED, BUT SAID ITS OFFICES RECEIVED ALL THE BOOKS IT ORDERED AND PAID FOR.

USIA PURCHASE ORDERS NORMALLY APPLY TO ONLY A PORTION OF THE OVER-ALL TOTAL OF BOOKS INVOLVED IN THE PROGRAM, WHICH IS DESIGNED TO PROMOTE CIRCULATION THROUGHOUT LATIN AMERICA OF INFORMATION GENERALLY FAVORABLE TO THIS COUNTRY.

IN ORDER TO INTEREST FOREIGN PUBLISHERS IN UNDERTAKING PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF AMERICAN BOOKS, THE U.S. INFORMATION SERVICE GENERALLY AGREES TO PURCHASE A PORTION OF A PUBLISHER'S EDITION FOR USE IN ITS PROGRAM. IT PAYS ONLY FOR THOSE COPIES IT RECEIVES, BUT COUNTS ON A MUCH BROADER CIRCULATION THROUGH THE PUBLISHER'S OWN COMMERCIAL SALES.

IT IS THE FIGURES PROVIDED BY THE PUBLISHER ON HIS OWN SALES WHICH HAVE COME INTO QUESTION.

ALTHOUGH IT HAS NO PROOF OF FALSIFIED FIGURES, THE AGENCY SAID IT HAS NOT BEEN SATISFIED THAT FULL RETAIL DISTRIBUTION WAS BEING EFFECTED.

AS A RESULT, IT SAID, "IT HAS BEEN RE-EXAMINING ITS PUBLICATION ARRANGEMENTS AND SETTING UP NEW PUBLICATIONS AGREEMENTS WITH GREATER ASSURANCES OF IMPROVED COMMERCIAL DISTRIBUTION."

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NEW DELHI, MARCH 8 (AP)--PRESIDENT RAJENDRA PRASAD OF INDIA TODAY APPEALED FOR INCREASING ASIAN REGIONAL ECONOMIC AND TRADE COOPERATION.

HE WAS INAUGURATING THE 17TH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND THE FAR EAST (ECAFE), ATTENDED BY NEARLY 300 DELEGATES FROM 24 MEMBER COUNTRIES AND FOUR ASSOCIATE MEMBERS.

PRASAD CITED THE MEKONG RIVER VALLEY DEVELOPMENT--WHICH ECAFE IS SPONSORING AND WHICH WILL BENEFIT LAOS, THAILAND, CAMBODIA AND VIETNAM--AS THE KIND OF COOPERATION HE VISUALIZED.

THE SOVIET DELEGATION BROUGHT COLD WAR POLITICS INTO ECAFE'S DELIBERATIONS BY OBJECTING TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE LAOTIAN DELEGATION.

S. E. KHAMPHAN PANYA, THE DELEGATE REPRESENTING THE PRO-WESTERN

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LAOTIAN GOVERNMENT, ACCUSED THE SOVIET UNION OF INTERVENING IN LAOS BY SUPPLYING ARMS TO LEFTIST REBELS.

U.S. DELEGATION LEADER AVERY F. PETERSON PROPOSED THE DISCUSSION BE DROPPED BUT THE ISSUE WAS REFERRED TO THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE.

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B4WX (YOUNG SPEECH) Q  
(320) BIRCH SOCIETY

WASHINGTON, MARCH 8 (AP)--SEN. MILTON R. YOUNG, R-N.D., SAID IN THE SENATE TODAY THAT LEADERS OF AN ULTRA-CONSERVATIVE AND SEMI-SECRET GROUP OPERATING IN MANY STATES HAVE FALSELY ACCUSED FORMER PRESIDENT EISENHOWER OF BEING A COMMUNIST.

YOUNG SAID THE ORGANIZATION IS KNOWN AS THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY, CLAIMS TO BE FIGHTING COMMUNISM AND HAS ACCUSED YOUNG HIMSELF OF "BEING ABOUT EVERY KIND OF A SCOUNDREL, INCLUDING A COMMUNIST OR PRO-COMMUNIST."

HE SAID THE LEADER OF THE BIRCH SOCIETY IS ROBERT WELCH, A RETIRED BUSINESS EXECUTIVE OF BELMONT, MASS.

DEMOCRATIC LEADER MIKE MANSFIELD OF MONTANA LAUDED YOUNG FOR HIS DENUNCIATION OF THE SOCIETY. HE SAID HE HAS HEARD OF THE GROUP IN HIS OWN STATE AND "SOMETHING IS WRONG SOMEWHERE."

YOUNG SAID THE SOCIETY HAS ORGANIZED CELLS IN NORTH DAKOTA AMONG "SOME OF THE MOST ABLE AND INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE IN EACH COMMUNITY."

HE SAID WELCH HAS "MADE ACCUSATIONS AGAINST THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND OTHER TOP OFFICERS FAR BEYOND ANYTHING THE LATE SEN. JOE MCCARTHY, R-WIS., EVEN THOUGHT OF."

"TO LABEL SOME OF OUR MOST LOYAL AND DEDICATED PEOPLE AS COMMUNISTS PLAYS RIGHT INTO THE HANDS OF THE COMMUNISTS," HE ADDED.

YOUNG PLACED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ARTICLES FROM THE CHICAGO DAILY NEWS OF LAST JULY 26 AND THE CURRENT EDITION OF TIME MAGAZINE DEALING WITH THE BIRCH SOCIETY AND WELCH.

THE NEWS STORY SAID WELCH IS AUTHOR OF A BOOK, "THE POLITICIAN," WHICH TRIES TO PROVE THAT FORMER PRESIDENT EISENHOWER WAS A DEDICATED

COMMUNIST AND HIS BROTHER, MILTON R. EISENHOWER WAS "IKE'S SUPERIOR IN THE COMMUNIST PARTY."

THE TIME ARTICLE TOLD OF SOCIETY ACTIVITIES IN SEVERAL STATES AND SAID WELCH IS A FORMER PROMINENT BOSTON BUSINESSMAN WHO REGARDS THE INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SECURITY AS MOVES TOWARD COMMUNISM.

IT SAID JOHN BIRCH WAS A U.S. NAVY CAPTAIN WHO WAS KILLED BY CHINESE COMMUNIST GUERRILLAS AFTER VJ DAY.

YOUNG SAID MOST OF THE CRITICISM BY THE SOCIETY "IS LEVELED NOT AGAINST LIBERAL PUBLIC OFFICIALS BUT AGAINST THE MORE MIDDLE-OF-THE-ROAD AND EVEN CONSERVATIVE REPUBLICANS."

"FROM A PRACTICAL POLITICAL POINT OF VIEW," YOUNG CONTINUED, "SUCH CHARGES ACTUALLY ARE OF SOME HELP. IT IS SORT OF A MEDICINE TO SOME LIBERAL THINKING PEOPLE WHO OFTEN HAVE ACCUSED ME OF BEING A REACTIONARY CONSERVATIVE."

NOTIFIED OF YOUNG'S STATEMENTS, WELCH SAID FROM HIS HOME IN BELMONT, MASS.: "I DO NOT WISH TO COMMENT."

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